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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 2161

SERIAL NO. 09/911,391

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: EXAMINER :

FOR: RECORDING, EDIT, AND PLAYBACK METHODS OF AUDIO INFORMATION,
AND INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM

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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claim 1, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 30-46, as follows:

30. (New) An information storage medium having an information recording area which includes a management information recording area and at least one object recording area,

said management information recording area being configured to describe at least one index point within said object recording area.

31. (New) An information storage medium having an information recording area which includes a management information recording area and at least an audio object recording area configured to record a tune or music in unit of a track,

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